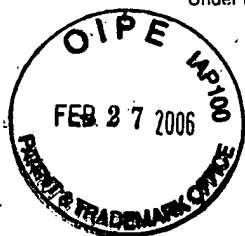


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<p align="center"><b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b></p> <p align="center">Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.</p>	Application Number	10/062,944
	Filing Date	February 1, 2002
	First Named Inventor	Shaiwal Singh et al.
	Group Art Unit	2166
	Examiner Name	Mohammad Ali
	Attorney Docket No.	MICR0258

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice*, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

- ☒ 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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- ☐ 2. Miscellaneous
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ 3. Request for Extension of Time
- ☒ 4. Request for Constructive Petition for Extension of Time

It is requested that any concurrent or future reply submitted in the present application requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) for timely submission be treated as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. It is also requested that any additional required

X 5. Claim Status

**X 6. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)  
 ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17)  
 iii. ☒ Any additional required fees  
 iv. ☐ Other

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Date: February 23, 2006

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